

CITY OF BIG STONE CITY

Big Stone City, South Dakota

May 7, 2018

7:00 p.m.

The Big Stone City council met in regular session on Monday May 7, 2018 meeting began at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Wiik presiding. Roll Call: Henderson, McMahon, Hanson, Rabe, Gulley, and Baerwaldt. Others present: William E. Coester, Donna Van Hout, Robert Goergen, Scott Stecker, Amanda & Matt Grabow, Geoffrey Kovel, Michael Hughes, Dewane Stoddard, Chris Folk, Anne Lester, Joe Wiik, Ann Grabow, Val Rausch, and Gloria Arndt.

The Pledge of Allegiance and the South Dakota State Pledge were recited. Motion to accept the minutes from the April meeting was made by Hanson and seconded by Rabe. All in favor, motion carried.

The following claims were presented for payment.

IRS	\$ 3,387.55	Payroll Taxes
SDCS	\$ 353.08	Payroll Withholding
MRES	\$ 10,431.00	Charges for Services
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Dept. of Energy	\$ 17,263.44	Charges for Services
SD Dept. of Revenue	\$ 6,627.89	Sales Tax
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Midco	\$ 447.29	Charges for Services
Electro Watchman	\$ 687.10	Security System
Postmaster	\$ 114.10	Utility Bills
Verizon	\$ 984.72	Cell/Internet/Equipment
IRS	\$ 3,354.71	Payroll Taxes
SD Supplemental Retirement	\$ 500.00	Retirement
SDCS	\$ 353.08	Payroll Withholding
SDML Financial School	\$ 75.00	Financial Officers school
SD Retirement	\$ 3,397.64	Retirement
G&K	\$ 176.79	Cleaning
Grant County Review	\$ 267.54	Publishing
Aflac	\$ 216.74	Supplemental Health Insurance
WorldPay	\$ 170.19	Credit Card Fees
Harland Clarke Checks	\$ 218.52	Deposit Slips
Republic	\$ 654.22	Off Sale Liquor
Postmaster	\$ 24.70	Utility Billings
Rural Dev.	\$ 4,108.00	Sewer Bond
Xerox	\$ 36.20	Copies/Supplies
Ortonville Independent	\$ 288.00	Advertising
KDIO	\$ 679.00	Advertising
The Shop	\$ 1,336.10	#5
Ronglien	\$ 323.05	Shop
SD Dept. Games, Fish & Parks	\$ 57.00	Licenses
Electro Watchman	\$ 195.00	Security
City of Sioux Falls	\$ 43.50	Water Testing
The Shop	\$ 64.73	#5

Desing Electrics-Ortonville	\$ 77.97	Misc. Supplies
Border States Coop	\$ 663.95	Fuel
Winwater	\$ 32.69	Shop
Border States Supply	\$ 141.00	Electric Dept. Supplies
MRES	\$ 1,584.00	Misc. Services
Midco	\$ 103.55	Charges for Services
Insurance Solutions	\$ 377.00	Plow
Ronglien	\$ 61.20	Streets
Heritage Printing	\$ 760.63	Misc. Printing
Bernatello's	\$ 137.50	Pizza
Banyon	\$ 795.00	Support
Bank of America	\$ 28.06	Liquor Store
Coca-Cola	\$ 104.50	Soda Pop
Design Electronics-Milbank	\$ 19.99	Police
Donna Van Hout	\$ 240.30	Travel Reimbursement
Ellwein Brothers	\$ 11,545.75	On/Off Sale Beer
Farner Bocken	\$ 963.77	Materials/Supplies
Grant-Roberts Rural Water	\$ 10,480.00	Charges for Services
G&K Services	\$ 282.96	Charges for Services
HPSD	\$ 8,685.84	Health Insurance
Harry's Frozen Food	\$ 181.50	Pizza
Coester Law Firm	\$ 450.00	Legal
Irby	\$ 159.96	Electric Dept.
Jim Dandy	\$ 69.00	Jerky
Johnson Brothers	\$ 1,465.25	On/Off Sale Liquor
Main Street	\$ 77.95	06 Durango
MRES	\$ 50.00	Tech Days
Northwestern Energy	\$ 124.71	Charges for Services
Omni-Pro Software	\$ 3,136.00	Load Management
Porter Dist.	\$ 1,747.75	On/Off Sale Beer
Pepsi	\$ 376.16	Soda Pop
Runnings	\$ 103.97	Shop/Liquor
Ronglien	\$ 133.70	Snow/Ice
Republic National	\$ 590.02	On/Off Sale Liquor
Sturdevant	\$ 307.25	Misc. Supplies
Principle Life	\$ 142.65	Life Insurance
Valley Shopper	\$ 465.00	Liquor Store
KDIO	\$ 250.00	Liquor Store
T&R Electric	\$ 105.00	Testing
MRES	\$ 822.00	Misc. Services
MacDaddy's	\$ 778.15	Fuel
City of Big Stone City	\$ 150.00	Customer Deposits
City of Big Stone City	\$ 4,631.71	Utilities
Grant County Review	\$ 136.71	Publishing
Midwest Irrigation	\$ 98.02	Liquor Store
Valley Shopper	\$ 75.18	Electric/Finance Office
Water Management	\$ 3,973.03	Charges for Services
Maintenance	\$ 13,451.02	April Payroll
Public Safety	\$ 5,501.60	April Payroll
Finance	\$ 3,311.31	April Payroll
Liquor Store	\$ 6,852.29	April Payroll
	\$ 29,116.22	

Motion to pay the presented claims was made by Henderson and seconded by Baerwaldt. Voting in favor: Henderson, McMahon, Hanson, Rabe, Gulley, and Baerwaldt. Motion carried.

Mr. Coester updated the council on the agreement with Verizon Wireless. At the last meeting, the council had discussed adding a fee to other companies who would like to put an antenna on the Verizon tower once it is built. He explained that the city would not be able to charge a monthly fee however, the city could have an application fee.

Matt and Amanda Grabow attended the meeting to discuss with the council a development in town. The council had tabled the approval of the sale for the land at the April meeting. Matt and Amanda asked the council for reimbursement for the money they have spent on an engineer for the development. The city attorney said that the Grabows did not have a deal with the city and therefore will not be getting reimbursed from the city. He pointed out they had an agreement with the BSC Development Corporation. And the Development Corporation does not have any money. Mayor Wiik explained to the council and the visitors present that she spoke with Yvonne Taylor, Director of SDML. Yvonne said the council could give the land to the Grabows. Ann Grabow asked why the council was so against the development. Councilman Gulley stated that there are other empty lots in town. Councilman McMahon felt the city wasn't informed on the issue. She also asked if the city was going to recoup any of the money the city would spend. Mayor Wiik explained the value of the land and why the price was set where it was set. Scott Stecker attended the April meeting and thought the deal was still on the table and the council wanted Matt to follow the correct procedure. Mayor Wiik feels that Matt and Amanda were thrown under the bus because he is employed at The Shop. She explained she is not an owner of The Shop, Joe Wiik is the owner. Councilman Hanson expressed several concerns. Councilman McMahon asked Matt if they had sought legal counsel before starting their project. Matt replied that they had not. Dewayne Stoddard, from the Planning and Zoning committee explained that Matt should have met with Robert Athey, Zoning Administrator. There was a meeting set up, however, Matt was called out on a wrecker call and could not make the meeting. The meeting was not rescheduled. Val Rausch asked if the process to change the zoning in the development could be done on a quicker timeline. Mr. Coester explained the timeline is set by SD Statutes. Mayor asked Matt if he would like to set up a meeting with the Planning & Zoning. He said he did not at this time.

Mike Hughes attended the meeting to inquire the process for code enforcement. Chief of Police Goergen went over the process and stated that letters will be going out this week to several residents in Big Stone City.

Mayor Wiik explained that because no one turned in petitions this year for re-election, the council would have to appoint someone to the positions that are open. She then asked the three councilman if they are willing to continue to serve on the council. Doug Gulley, Robin Baerwaldt, and Brenda McMahon all replied that they would interested in continuing to serve. Mr. Coester explained because these three are being appointed, their term will only be for one year. It was strongly recommended petitions be taken out next year. Hanson moved to appoint Doug Gulley, to represent Ward 2 on the Big Stone City Council. Motion was seconded by Rabe. Voting in favor: Baerwaldt, Hanson, McMahon, Rabe, and Henderson with Gully abstaining. Motion carried. Gulley moved to appoint Robin Baerwaldt to represent Ward 1 in the Big Stone City Council. Motion was seconded by Henderson. Voting in favor: Gulley, Hanson, McMahon, Rabe, and Henderson with Baerwaldt abstaining. Motion carried. A motion was made by Hanson

to appoint Brenda McMahon to represent Ward 3 on the Big Stone City Council. Motion was seconded by Baerwaldt. Voting in favor: Baerwaldt, Hanson, Gulley, Rabe and Henderson with McMahon abstaining. Motion carried.

Oath of Office was administered to Doug Gulley, Robin Baerwaldt and Brenda McMahon by City attorney William Coester.

A motion was made by Henderson and seconded by McMahon to nominate TJ Rabe as President and Robin Baerwaldt as Vice-President of the new council. Voting in favor: Gulley, Rabe, Hanson, McMahon and Henderson. Voting against: Baerwaldt. Motion carried.

Mayor Wiik made the following appointments: Finance Officer-Donna Van Hout, Police Chief-Robert Goergen, City Attorney-William Coester, and Zoning Administration Official-Robert Athey. A motion was made by Gulley and seconded by Hanson to approve the Mayor's appointment of officials. All in favor, motion carried.

A motion was made by McMahon to designate the Grant County Review as the official newspaper for the City of Big Stone City and designate the following as depositories for the City of Big Stone City: First State Bank and SD Fit. Motion was seconded by Hanson. All in favor, motion carried.

The committee appointments were not made at this time.

A motion was made by Gulley and seconded by Hanson to accept renewals for the following Malt Beverage Licenses: Buzz's Tavern, Cottage Inn Café, Big Rock Grill and Casino, MacDaddy's and the Grocery Basket. Motion will be approved pending property taxes are up to date on these properties. Voting in favor: Henderson, McMahon, Hanson, Rabe, Gulley, and Baerwaldt. Motion carried.

Dewayne Stoddard, representing the Planning & Zoning, attended the council meeting to update the council on the meeting that was held April 24th between the P&Z and the Development Corp. The council would like copies of the Development Corp minutes and the Development Corp would like someone from the council and the P&Z attend their monthly meetings. The P&Z also recommends the city look into the ordinance that deals with developments. They would like to see the city amend this ordinance to include the developer being responsible for the installation of the electric service. The developer is already responsible for water and sewer. He also address several rumors about the city and Big Stone Enterprises. Mayor Wiik explained that the electric rate increase that was approved last month, happened because the cities power supplier will be increasing the cities rates in two years. The council felt it would be easier on everyone if we raised the rate a half percent for three years instead of jumping the full amount in one increase.

Chris Folk, Anne Lester, and Val Rausch attended the meeting to update the council on the move the school is making for their OST (Out-of-School Time) and new daycare center. The new location will be the St. Charles Hall. Val Rausch answered any questions the council had on the lease the church will have with the school. St. Charles is very excited to be a part of this program. The councilman asked several questions about the financing, the staff and the number of children the center would accommodate. Chris and Anne explained they have received several grants to get the program up and running and the hiring has begun. The new center is on

schedule and is scheduled to open on June 4th. They also presented information for the council on their Summer Feeding Program.

Brenda McMahon had a security light on the city street light post in front of her business on Main Street. The city has charged her \$6.00 per month on her utility bill. The pole was hit in July 2013 and replaced with a steel pole. Her light was not replaced. Brenda asked if the council would consider reimbursing her the money she paid after the pole was hit. Electric Superintendent Bryan Austin was asked if the light was gone and when. He replied that the pole has been replaced and the security light was not replaced.

Joe Wiik attended the meeting to update the council on the Fire Department's new fire truck. They have received their new truck and will be selling one of their old trucks. They are trying to keep it in the county and does have a community that is interested in purchasing it.

Being no further business a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Hanson and seconded by Henderson. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

Deb Wiik, Mayor

Donna Van Hout, Finance Officer